

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed July 12, 2007, the Examiner rejected all of the claims under 35 USC Section 103 over Moore in view of either Chuah alone or in further combination with Brasic. In view of the following comments, the Examiner's rejection is respectfully traversed, and reconsideration of the claims as presented herein is requested.

The claims of recite a group poll to said multicast group to identify one active station having the authority to transmit among said plurality of stations of said multicast group, transmit a directed Contention Free (CF) poll from said QAP to said one active station. The Examiner states that Moore discloses sending a poll to a multicast group. However, Moore sends a group transmission code and identifies all the stations that send a transmission burst in response. This is different from the present invention wherein the one station is identified having authority to transmit to the other stations in the multicast group, and that one station is polled. Moore does not teach such structure, and can not render the claimed invention unpatentable.

The secondary reference to Chuah is cited for teaching "transmitting a QoS data from QaP to inactive stations." However, Chuah does not disclose identifying the one station of a multicast group that has the authority to transmit, and thus even if combined does not disclose the missing structure of Moore.

The secondary reference to Brasic is cited for disclosing "the transmission of a QoS null frame." However, Brasic, like Moore and Chuah, fail to disclose identifying the one device of a multicast group that has the authority to transmit, and thus even if combined does not disclose the missing structure of Moore.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are patentable of the cited references. A Notice of Allowance is solicited.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit the requisite fee to Motorola, Inc.,
Deposit Account No. 50-2117, and credit any overpayment, to the same account.

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Respectfully submitted,

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